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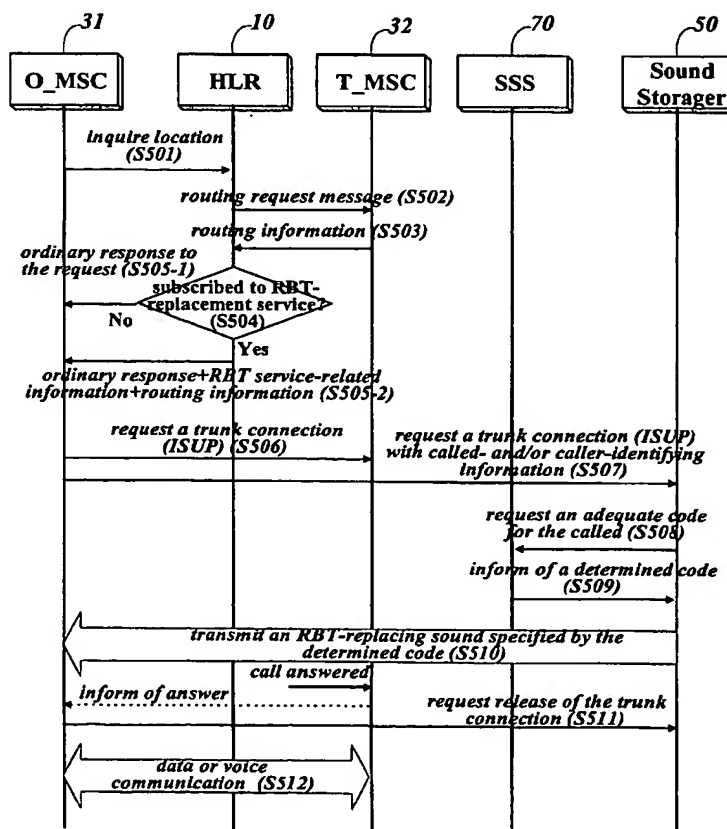
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to method for providing an arbitrary sound, chosen by a called subscriber, instead of ringback tone to a calling subscriber through a call-originating exchanger. In this present invention, if a call is generated to an exchanger, the call-originating exchanger requests a trunk connection to a sound db server based on the first information on whether or not to replace an RBT (RingBack Tone) and the second information on a route to the sound db server that are received from a home location register (HLR), and provides a called subscriber identification for the sound db server. Then, the sound db server searches its db for a sound specified by the called, and provides the found sound for the caller instead of a conventional RBT via the originating exchanger connected through a trunk. Through this sequential procedure of network elements, a caller can hear a sound specified by a called instead of a dry RBT.



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